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Raskob Overseer's House

1930's

Centreville vicinity

Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Raskob Overseer's House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

North bank of Grove Creek on Bolle Rock Drive

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ OTHER vacant**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Peter G. Sheaffer

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

15 Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Barnstable

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Massachusetts

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: MWM 156

Folio #: 229

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR
☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Raskob Overseer's House is located on Corsica Neck on a small point of land along the north bank of Grove Creek. This house is adjacent to the Raskob Stable and Riding Arena (QA-416) and is said to have served as a residence for the trainer/overseer in charge of the stable.

This two story house is constructed of the same red ceramic tile block universally employed on the Pioneer Point estate for all farm and secondary buildings. This building, unlike the barns and stables, has been painted a greyish-white and at a distance looks like rusticated stucco or even cut stone.

The main block of the house is nearly square with a low hip roof. A rectangular hyphen extends from the north end of the west facade to a two story garage.

The front facade faces east, toward the stables. The entrance is in the center bay, flanked by a single 6/6 window on each side. Three 6/6 windows are ranged across the second story. The door is set off by flanking sidelights, a semi-circular transom and a semi-circular

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.1 DESCRIPTION

projecting entrance hood. The tile block is laid in stretcher bond with a water table and belt course. The eaves are finished with a box cornice.

The north and south gable walls are virtually identical, with two 6/6 windows on each floor.

The north bay of the west facade is covered by the projecting hyphen. The rear or west door is located in the center bay, with a transom above and a small four-light window to the right, and double French doors in the south bay. There is a 6/6 window above the entrance door on the second floor, and double French casements to the south.

The east wall of the hyphen is set off by two arches on the first floor with double glass doors behind and a single 6/6 window on the second floor. Similar arched openings and glass doors open out on the west wall of the hyphen, facing the water. There is a single 6/6 window to the south of these openings and a paired 8-light casement to the north, centered on the west wall of the garage. Three 6/6 windows are ranged across the second story.

The garage is rectangular and set perpendicular to the hyphen. The garage door is in the east wall,

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.2 DESCRIPTION

with one 6/6 window centered on the second story.

There are two paired 8-light casement windows on the first story of the north wall, and two 6/6 windows on the second story.

The interior was not accessible.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Orlando Ridout V, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

10/6/80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

Field Notebook Md II; Recorded Summer 1980.

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



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Raskob Gverscer's House

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East facade

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Neg. on file @ MHI



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View From SE

ORV 12/1979

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